

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An ornament, comprising:

a spherical body having only two holes, a first and a second hole that are positioned at right-left symmetrical positions in an upper half section of an outer surface of the spherical body; with

a through-hole ~~wherein the through-hole is~~ having a substantial V-shape and being formed by connecting through ~~[[a]] the first hole and [[a]] second hole being respectively that are drilled toward [[the]] a center of the spherical body, the substantial V-shape of the through-hole defining a vertex section that projects downward and is formed proximate to the center of the spherical body respectively, from right-left symmetrical positions in the upper half section of the spherical body; and~~

a curved surface that is formed by cutting off a portion of the downwardly projecting vertex section of the included angle formed in the spherical body by the first and second holes,

wherein each of the first and second holes contains an opening section at a distal end section of the respective first and second holes, each of the opening sections having a diameter that is larger than a diameter along the non-distal section of the first and second holes such that a step is formed between the distal end section having the larger diameter and the non-distal section having the smaller diameter.

2. (Withdrawn -- Previously Presented) A method of manufacturing an ornament, comprising:

drilling a first hole and a second hole toward the center of a spherical body material from right-left symmetrical positions in the upper half section of the spherical body material until they are connected to each other, and

forming a curved surface by cutting off the vertex section of the included angle formed in the spherical body material by the first hole and the second hole.

3. (Withdrawn -- Previously Presented) The method of manufacturing an ornament according to claim 2, wherein the vertex section is cut off by inserting a tool from respective opening sections after the disposed of the opening of the first hole and the diameter of the opening of the second hole are enlarged.

4. (Currently Amended) An ornament comprising:

a spherical body ~~with a through-hole~~ having only two holes, a first hole and a second hole that are positioned at right-left symmetrical positions in an upper half section of an outer surface of the spherical body;

a through-hole having a substantial V-shape and being formed by the first hole and second hole being respectively drilled toward a center of the spherical body, the substantial V-shape of the through-hole defining a vertex section that projects downward and is formed proximate to the center of the spherical body;

~~a hanging wire member inserted into the through-hole, wherein the through-hole is formed by connecting through a first hole and a second hole that are drilled toward the center of the spherical body, respectively, from right-left symmetrical positions in the upper half section of the spherical body; and~~

a curved surface that is formed by cutting off a portion of the downwardly projecting vertex section of the included angle formed in the spherical body by the first and second holes,

wherein each of the first and second holes contains an opening section at a distal end section of the respective first and second holes, each of the opening sections having a diameter that is larger than a diameter along the non-distal section of the first and second holes such that a step is formed between the distal end section having the larger diameter and the non-distal section having the smaller diameter.

5. (Withdrawn -- Previously Presented) A method of manufacturing an ornament, comprising:

drilling a first hole and a second hole toward the center of a spherical body material from right-left symmetrical positions in the upper half section of the spherical body material until they are connected to each other;

forming a curved surface by cutting off the vertex section of the included angle formed in the spherical body material by the first hole and the second hole; and

inserting the hanging wire member up to an opening of the second hole 2' by inserting an end of a hanging wire member from an opening of the through-hole and by sliding the hanging wire member along the curved surface while displacing the spherical body material.

6. (Previously Presented) The ornament of claim 1, further comprising reinforcing cylindrical members that are fixedly disposed in the opening sections with enlarged diameters.

7. (Previously Presented) The ornament of claim 4, further comprising reinforcing cylindrical members that are fixedly disposed in the opening sections with enlarged diameters.

8. (New) An ornament, comprising:

a spherical body having only two holes, a first and a second hole that are positioned at right-left symmetrical positions in an upper half section of an outer surface of the spherical body;

a through-hole having a substantial V-shape and being formed by the first hole and second hole being respectively drilled toward a center of the spherical body, the substantial V-shape of the through-hole defining a vertex section that projects downward and is formed proximate to the center of the spherical body; and

a curved surface that is formed by cutting off a portion of the downwardly projecting vertex section.